

Lafayette Historical Society

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

On November 30, 1976, the Lafayette Historical Society will present Mr. Bob Gross, collector of antique toys. In what promises to be a most interesting pre-Holiday program, Mr. Gross will tell about his collection and will also have some of his toys on display. The program will be at 8:00 p.m. at the Lafayette School Auditorium.

HISTORY ALL AROUND US

The Contra Costa County Library System has prepared six programs on video cassette in cooperation with the Contra Costa County Historical Society and the Contra Costa County Bicentennial Commission. These programs are based on the Bicentennial Lecture Series on Contra Costa County History that concluded in June. The programs are:

1. The DeAnza Expedition by Brother Dennis, F.S.C. of St. Mary's College.
2. The History of the Coal Mines at Nortonville, Somersville and Stewartville by Mr. Louis Stein.
3. The Life of John Muir and History of the John Muir Home by Mrs. Doris Omundson and P. J. Ryan of the John Muir Historic Site, Martinez.
4. A History of the John Marsh House by Mr. A. Lewis Kove.
5. The Early Days and Families of the San Ramon Valley by Mr. Howsrd Wiedemann.
6. A History of the Pinole Area by Mrs. Jessie Clark.

The programs may be viewed at either the Ygnacio Valley Branch Library, 2661 Oak Grove Road, Walnut Creek, or the Pinole Branch Library, 2935 Pinole Valley Road, Pinole.

On Thursday evening, Oct. 14 at 7:45, the Friends of the Lafayette Library have scheduled and outstanding and unusual program at the Library. Professor Richard Eakin of the University of California will present a film of one of his famous science lectures in which he assumes the mannerisms and costumes of renowned scientists of the past. The film which Professor Eakin will show on Oct. 14 is that of his impersonation of Charles Darwin. He will also discuss his book, "Great Scientists Speak Again."

Orinda Historical Society will present an interesting program on Tuesday, October 26 at 8:00 p.m. in the Orinda Library Meeting Room. The program will focus on the History of the Oakland Museum and Its Close Association with Orinda. Speakers will be Carolyn Sheaff who will show slides and present some of her research on the Camron Stanford House; Marian Nielsen, Past Chairman of the History Docents of the Oakland Museum, and Bruce Howard, vice president of the Oakland Museum Association.

ROSTER CHANGES

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Fisher--new phone number is 284-1776

Mr. Norman Levitt--new phone number is 284-9648

We are happy to welcome the following new members to the Society:

Turner Ashby Moncure, 1122 Via Media, Lafayette

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gaustad, 3343 Beechwood Drive, Lafayette

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

To Lafayette Federal Savings and Loan for donating the printing of the Society's membership roster. Our thanks also to the Lafayette Sun for their gift of photographs for the Society's files.

"LA FAYETTE: A PICTORIAL HISTORY"

Be sure to see the fine exhibits featuring the book prepared by Bronwen Heuer and her committee. Exhibits are currently at Lafayette Federal Savings and Loan and at the Lafayette Camera Shop.

On the afternoon of September 12, a tea was held at the Lafayette Library to launch the Lafayette Historical Society's new publication, La Fayette--A Pictorial History. Many Historical Society members and friends came by to greet author, Sandy Kimball and picture editor, Joan Merryman and to see President Lou Repetto present copy number "one" to Fern Powell Davis to whom the book is dedicated. Many thanks to Jean Baker and her committee for their part in making the launching of this exciting book a success!

Now that you've had a chance to read and enjoy your own copy--it's time to think of gift copies for friends and family. The book can be ordered by mail by using the handy coupon below. The following merchants also have copies of the book for sale: Lafayette Bookstore, Lafayette Camera Shop, Lafayette Federal Savings, Wayside Antiques, Orinda Books, and Lennie's Florist (Near Rossmoor, on Olympic Blvd.)

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